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During Coffee County Commission meeting

## County engineer says 28.76 miles of county roadways projected to be resurfaced in FY23

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Coffee County Commission meeting held Monday, March 27, county engineer Marty Lentz provided commissioners with a summary of the resurfacing projects slated for 2023.

Thanks in part to extra resurfacing funds the county has been awarded for this fiscal year, Lentz said there would be more resurfacing completed than normal. He said there are 10 roads slated for resurfacing covering 28.76 miles of county roads.

"It is going to be a busy resurfacing summer," Lentz said.

The estimated cost for these resurfacing projects is \$5,235,225 or \$184,283 per mile to resurface a two-lane county road. Lentz said the cost of roadway work has really escalated.

Already completed on the projects list is 4.41 miles

of roadway on County Rd. 239 [from County Rd. 248 northeast to Alabama Hwy. 167] in District One.

Additional resurfacing projects planned for Fiscal Year 2023 include:

- 1.63 miles on County Road 105 [from County Rd. 114 east to County Rd. 107] in District Two;

- 8.96 miles on County Rd. 636 [from County Rd. 625 east to Alabama Hwy. 27] in Districts Three and Four;

- 1.01 miles on County Rd. 266 [from Alabama Hwy. 51 east to Alabama Hwy. 167] in District Seven;

- 3.36 miles on County Rd. 157 [from Alabama Hwy. 167 east to County Rd. 156] in Districts Six and Seven;

- 0.37 mile on County Rd. 502 [from U.S. Hwy. 84 east to a Dead End] in District Five;

- 1.94 miles on County

Rd. 719 [from County Rd. 708 west to Alabama Hwy. 167] in District Four;

- 2.97 miles on County Rd. 450 [from Alabama Hwy. 134 west to Alabama Hwy. 87] in District Three;

- 1.37 miles on County Rd. 346 [from County Rd. 330 south to County Rd. 349] in District One; and

- 2.74 miles on County Rd. 239 [from County Rd. 249 east to County Rd. 248] in District One.

"I want to thank Marty's staff, for Senator Jimmy Holley, and others for looking into and searching for every highway dollar we could get this year," Commission Chairman Dean Smith said. "It is one of those years where we got more funds than usual."

In other business from the county engineer, commis-

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This photo was taken the first year Elba participated in the April Walking Tours event through the Alabama Department of Tourism. Elba's tour makes stops at several landmarks and includes information on the levee. Elba Chamber director Sandy Williams leads the tours. In the photo above, Kenneth Grantham speaks in front of the old Coffee County Jail where he father Sheriff Neil Grantham was gunned down in the 1970s.

Elba tours set for two Saturdays - April 15th & 22nd

## Alabama's Tourism Department hosting April Walking Tours in 25 Alabama towns

Almost 25 Alabama towns are open to explore on Saturday mornings in April during Alabama Tourism Department's 20th annual April Walking Tours.

New this year from the previous years is each town has selected the Saturday mornings they will be hosting.

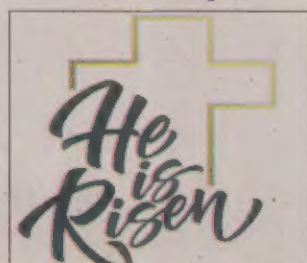
Community leaders will guide the free tours through historical areas that display art and culture. The tours will start at 10 a.m. on the specific Saturday mornings chosen by the participating cities. In the case of rain, tours will be canceled since they occur outdoors.

Elba will host tours Saturdays, April 15 and 22 only. The Elba tours will begin from the Elba Chamber of Commerce office, which is currently located on Factory Avenue next to Blessed Nutrition.

"The April Walking Tours were created for Alabamians to see and learn about their beautiful state," said Sandy Williams, director of the Elba Chamber of Commerce. "Alabama is the only state in the nation to have statewide walking tours. Participating in these walking tours is a great way to learn more about our cities that are full of history and culture."

Towns and starting places for the April Walking Tours are: Athens-Limestone Co. (Athens-Limestone Visitors Center), Bayou La Batre (Mariner Park), Birmingham (Birmingham Civil Rights Institute), Courtland (Courtland Heritage Museum), Cullman (Cullman

Co. Museum), Decatur (Old State Bank), Elba (Chamber of Commerce), Enterprise (The Rawls), Fairhope (Fairhope Welcome Center), Florence (various locations), Foley (Foley Welcome Center), Huntsville (Alabama Constitution Hall Park), Leeds (Leeds Jane Culbreth Library), Madison (Madison Little Roadhouse on), Mobile (Visit Mobile Welcome Center), Monroeville (Monroe Co. Museum), Montgomery (Montgomery Visitor Center), Mooresville (Historic Post Office), Pell City (City Hall), Prattville (Prattville Museum), Selma (Selma-Dallas Co. Public Library), Sheffield (Sheffield City Hall), Springfield (Springville Museum), Tuscumbia (Cold Water Books). Since the beginning of the walking tours in 2003, over 36,000 people have participated, and the tours keep growing in popularity each year. More information about the April Walking Tours is available from the participating cities and from the Alabama Tourism Department.



Elba senior Ava Staver, standing in the back with band director Shaun Hammonds, was recognized March 21st during the Elba BOE meeting for her many band-related accomplishments. Hammonds said Staver is a great musician. Also pictured (seated from left) is Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley, and board members Greg Sowell, Johnny Senn, Miranda Russell, and DeAnn Grantham.

## Elba High band student receives special recognition at BOE meeting

by Linda Hodge, Editor

Elba High School band student and senior Ava Staver received special recognition during the Tuesday, March 21, Elba Board of Education meeting.

Superintendent Chris Moseley said Staver came to Elba City Schools during her ninth grade year.

"She came here mainly for music and our band program," Moseley said. "During her time at Elba, Ava has really proven herself in what she had done with her musical talents. We certainly did not want an accomplishment like hers to go unnoticed."

Over the past four years, Moseley said Staver had

made All-State Band and District Band each year. He also said she had made Top Band at Troy University for one year, along with the participating in programs at Auburn University and making the Florida State University Tri-State Band one year.

Elba band director Shaun Hammonds said he remembers when Staver showed up during her Freshman year. He said Elba was headed to a playoff football game that week, and he put her on the bus to travel with the band that Friday night.

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## Auburn's Sonic Nation to perform concert April 21st at Elba Theatre

Sonic Nation, Auburn University's commercial music ensemble, will perform a free concert Friday, April 21, at 7 p.m., at the historic Elba Theatre, located on the square in downtown Elba (231 Court Street). Doors will open at 6:30 p.m.

The Elba Eclectics, Elba High School's choral group, will open the concert with audience and student favorites, followed by a full concert of popular music from commercial music majors and others who make up Sonic Nation.

concert April 21st at Elba Theatre

act. Kristopher Whitehurst, a 2019 graduate of Elba High School, is a senior studying commercial music percussion and serves as the ensemble's drummer.

"My time in Sonic Nation has been a wonderful experience, and I have been blessed with many opportunities while at Auburn," Whitehurst said. "I hope everyone in Elba and Coffee County will come out to enjoy the concert!"

The concert is free, but attendees are encouraged to provide a \$5 donation at the concert to assist with future renovations of the historic Elba Theatre. The concert is co-sponsored by Restoration 154 Inc. and the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts & Humanities in the College of Liberal Arts at Auburn University.

For more information on Sonic Nation, contact Jilla Webb at [jilla.a.webb@auburn.edu](mailto:jilla.a.webb@auburn.edu).

The new mural, measuring 16 x 7 feet, will be drawn by Professor Wendy Deschene this summer and painted during the fall semester by undergraduate art students at Auburn University. The community is invited to attend the meeting and participate in the planning process. The mural will be located in the library's meeting room.

## Elba Public Library to host April 17th meeting for new mural project ideas

The Elba Public Library, in partnership with the Auburn University Department of Art & Art History, the Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts & Humanities, and Restoration 154, will host a planning meeting Monday, April 17, for a new mural project. The meeting will be from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Elba Public Library, located at 406 Simmons St. in downtown Elba.

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ing 16 x 7 feet, will be drawn by Professor Wendy Deschene this summer and painted during the fall semester by undergraduate art students at Auburn University. The community is invited to attend the meeting and participate in the planning process. The mural will be located in the library's meeting room.

During the meeting, attendees will have the opportunity to discuss the project and share ideas for what the mural should convey for the city of Elba. Participants are encouraged to consider themes, historic figures or events, symbols, colors, images, and stories they want to be featured in the mural. Images from archives or personal collections are also welcome.

To view murals from past projects, visit <https://www.wendydeschene.ca/murals>.

For more information about the meeting or the mural project, contact the Elba Public Library at 334-897-6921.

## Area Happenings

The Coffee County Relay for Life will hold the annual Survivor Dinner on Monday, April 17, from 6-8 p.m. Call 334-372-5865 for information. Also, the annual Relay for Life Walk will be Friday, April 21, from 6 to 10 p.m. at Bates Memorial Stadium in Enterprise, Ala.

Eggs & Issues - Breakfast with the Chamber will be Friday, April 21, at 7:30 a.m. at the Fellowship Hall of Elba First Baptist Church. Featured speakers will be Senator Josh Canley and Representative Rhett Marques. Cost is \$12 for breakfast. Call the Elba Chamber of Commerce for tickets or more information [334-790-9081].



Auburn University's Sonic Nation will be in concert Friday, April 21, in downtown Elba. Elba native Kristopher Whitehurst is a member of the group. The concert is free.



EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"It is better to offer no excuse than a bad one." – George Washington

Two U.S. Army Black Hawk helicopters crashed last Wednesday night during a training mission in southwestern Kentucky. We shuttered at the news of this crash. Many years ago we were involved in just this type night training, but in Oklahoma and later Europe. Our only notable incident that night was releasing a load of infantry troops right in a grazing herd of buffalo. They were not there earlier in the day when the war games were being planned! The platoon members were not too happy about that but they managed to get out of that mess without anyone getting gored by the buffalo! Those animals were probably as shocked as the soldiers when this big helicopter disrupted their peaceful grazing.

Another school shooting. This one in Tennessee. We are impressed with the rapid and efficient police reaction to the school shooting in Memphis last Wednesday. Somehow we can't gloat over the death of the shooter, but know it was the right response by the law enforcement officials. While we salute them for their professional response, we are prayerfully thankful that it was not yours truly that had to make that split second decision to neutralize the shooter.

State-of-the-art cell phones are being dumped and older "dumber" phones of yesteryear are experiencing a resurgence among teenagers! They are rebelling against the screentime habits that smartphones have created. We don't know if this will last but it is probably a good sign for society. Rather than friends collecting at the local coffee or malt shop, and each promptly whipping out their smart phone and spending their social gathering in the world of cyberspace, they can again just sit, laugh and talk with each other.

The indictment of Donald Trump is a first for the United States. We sit back and watch some celebrate, while others slam the justice system. The political types are just as divided as the general public is torn apart. Some applaud the action, some charge witch-hunts but there is another group that is trying to 'duck' the fallout by saying nothing or taking a political position of, "Some of my friends are for it and some of my friends are against it and I am with my friends!"

All the national news outlets are dominated with Donald Trump this week as he travels to New York to answer the indictment issued there. It is an indication of what the future holds, we are in for a long siege of 'breaking news' as there are ongoing Trump investigations about the January riot in Washington, Georgia election vote count, and classified documents at his Florida home. Any one of those would take up most of the daily news if they progress past "investigating".

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters (the newest one)!

Elba Police Report

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, March 28, 2023, and Monday, April 3, 2023, conducted the following activity:

**Tuesday, Mar. 28** – Suspicious person reported on Neil Grantham Dr (1:48 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 315 Adkinson Ave – w/impound (11:06 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at Hwy 84 and Davis St (11:46 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 2406 Taylor Mill Rd (12:43 p.m.); Prowler reported in the area of 1207 Claxton Ave N (2:36 p.m.); Trespassing reported at 7776 Claxton Ave N (4:47 p.m.); Four traffic stops resulted in three verbal warnings, and one written warning.

**Wednesday, Mar. 29** – Suspicious vehicle reported at the Dog Park parking lot (12:23 a.m.); Traffic accident reported on Hwy 189 N (5:20 a.m.); Theft

of property reported at 997 Winston Ave (9:17 a.m.); Stolen vehicle reported at 2209 Taylor Mill Rd (1:03 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 1282 Ann St (1:33 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 1021 Teresa St (7:15 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 1241 Farris Ave (9:35 p.m.); Four traffic stops resulted in three verbal warnings, and one written warning.

**Thursday, Mar. 30** – Suspicious person reported at 1282 Ann St (7:35 a.m.); Trespassing reported to Elba Police (9:59 a.m.); Harassment reported at 804 Hwy 203 (10:14 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on County Rd 407 (2:30 p.m.); Animal

Elba students preparing Beauty and the Beast Jr.® musical for May performances

The Elba High School show choir students are working on their new play, Disney's "Beauty and the Beast Jr.®".

Beauty and the Beast Jr.® will be performed live on the Elba High School auditorium stage May 4th through May 6th. There will be multiple performances during these days to allow the community to come see the students' hard work.

Ticket information will be released at a later date, but mark those calendars now so you do not miss the show!

complaint reported at 1242 Jones Circle (5:45 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 215 Plant Ave (8:06 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 215 Plant Ave (10:01 p.m.); Report of shots fired on Lee St (11:17 p.m.). One traffic stop resulted in a verbal warning.

**Friday, Mar. 31** – Domestic complaint reported at 640 Reynolds Ave – w/an arrest (1:19 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 890 Cedar Lane Dr (3:37 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 225 Fox Dr (7:23 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 712 Simmons St (9:38 p.m.).

**Saturday, Apr. 1** – Suspicious vehicle reported on Edgewood Dr (12:26 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (2:52 a.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 740 West St – w/arrest (10:06 a.m.); Suspicious circumstances

reported at Hwy 141 and Hwy 166 (3:15 p.m.); Animal complaint reported in Mulberry Heights (9:54 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at 304 Factory Ave (10:45 p.m.).

**Sunday, Apr. 2** – Intoxicated person reported on Whitman St (11:07 a.m.); Trespassing reported at 1667 Reese Ave (1:31 p.m.); Suspicious person reported on Davis St E near National Security (11:05 p.m.).

**Monday, Apr. 3** – Animal complaint reported at 475 Hwy 203 – w/impound (9:25 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1315 Hickman Ave (9:32 a.m.); Suspicious person reported in area of Davis St and Claxton Ave – w/ arrest (12:59 p.m.); Traffic accident reported at 778 Reese Ave (2:43 p.m.). Two traffic stops resulted in one verbal warning, and one written warning.

Share Your Views... Write a Letter to the Editor

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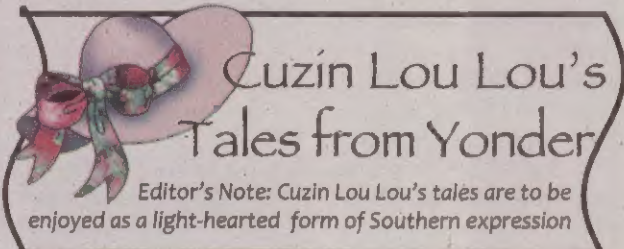
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Sister has been gloating this week after she managed to outscore Cuzin Lou Lou in a bowling match last weekend!

The two made the trek to the bowling alley with some of their Yonder Gang kin – Cuzin B, his wife, and their three little reds. It is always an adventure when this group gets together to have fun.

The bowling started off pretty much as Lou Lou expected. She and Cuzin B were in a battle for the 'top spot' but his bride had other plans as she vaulted past both of them to take game one. Only two of the little reds are of age to be able to bowl, and both of them had a blast chunking that ball down the alley.

Meanwhile the littlest of the reds was enjoying people watching, chewing on his tongue, and spitting up on Lou Lou multiple times following his bottle treat! He left almost no

spot untouched on Lou Lou's clothing...and the wet wipes came in real handy that afternoon!

Then, there was Sister doing her Sister-thing. Of course, she will not even hear of 'renting' shoes at the bowling alley, so she comes equipped with her own pair for the game. Lou Lou had to purchase those several years ago in order to get Sister to even consider going to the bowling alley. This was maybe the third time Sister had used said shoes since their purchase.

If you've never gone bowling or to play putt-putt golf with Sister...well, it is quite the experience!

While Lou Lou examines each of her shots closely before she makes a move [trying for the best possible outcome], Sister simply walks up to the point of release and let's that ball rip. Same goes for the golf club in putt-putt. She walks up to the ball and slings that club letting the ball land wherever it may.

Game One of last weekend's bowling match was true to Sister sporting fashion and her score showed it as she came in last place! Game Two, however, something unusual happened.

Lou Lou lost her focus/touch/something and she could not get a good roll no matter how hard she tried. The end result was a loss to Sister!

All Lou Lou could say was, "I have no idea what in the name of Yonder just happened!"

As for Sister, she loved every second of her 'win' over Lou Lou even though they were last and next-to-last in the standings. All that mattered to Sister was she, for once, got the upper hand on the very competitive Lou Lou.

Oh well...Lou Lou guesses those shoes finally paid for themselves for Sister, and maybe now she will be more willing to return to the alley sooner rather than later.

Until next time...God Bless, Keep Smiling and Happy Easter to all! We rejoice in knowing, He Is Risen!!



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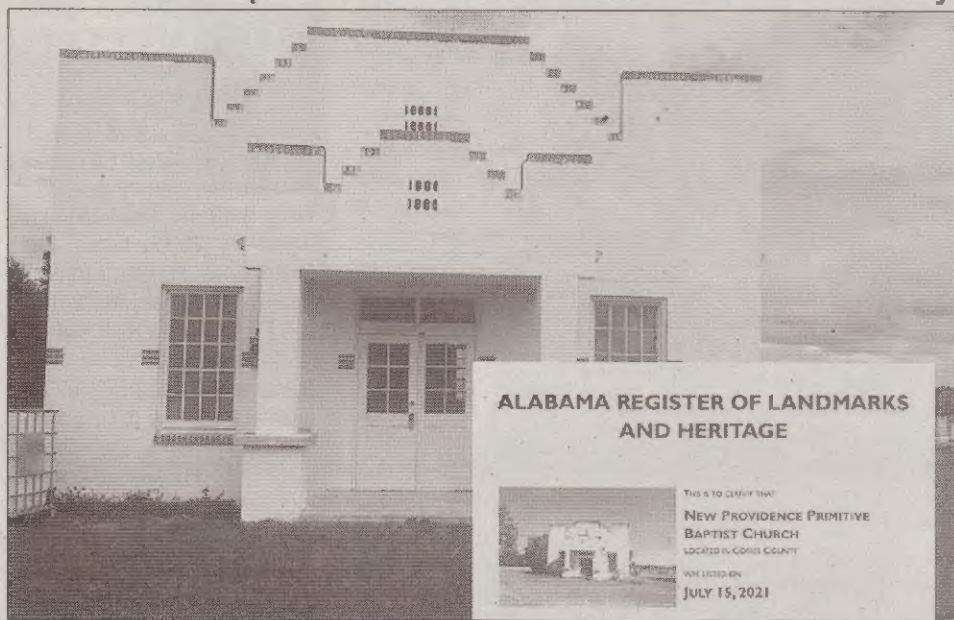
# CHURCH & LOCAL NEWS

## Alabama Historical Marker to be unveiled Saturday, April 15, for New Providence Primitive Baptist Church and Rhoades Cemetery

The community is invited to attend the unveiling ceremony Saturday, April 15, of an Alabama Historical Marker for the New Providence Primitive Baptist Church and the Rhoades Cemetery.

This ceremony will begin at 2 p.m. in front of the New Providence Primitive Baptist Church, located in the Rhoades Community of Coffee County on Alabama Highway 189 between Perry's Store and Kinston, Ala.

Following the unveiling of the marker, all will be invited to tour the restored historical church.



## PASTOR'S CORNER

by Ken Wilson, Pastor

Westside Baptist Church

### The Tomb Was Empty

I found this illustration many years ago and it is all that needs to be said this week!

"Little Philip, born with Down's Syndrome, attended a third-grade Sunday School class with several eight-year-old boys and girls. Typical of that age, the children did not readily accept Philip with his differences, according to an article in Leadership magazine. But because of a creative teacher, they began to care about Philip and accept him as part of the group, though not fully.

The Sunday after Easter the teacher brought Legos pantyhose containers, the kind that look like large eggs. Each receiving one, the children were told to go outside on that lovely spring day, find some symbol for new life, and put it in the egg-like container. Back in the classroom, they would share their new-life symbols, opening the containers one by one in surprise fashion.

After running about the church property in wild confusion, the students returned to the classroom and placed the containers on the table. Surrounded by the children, the teacher began to open them one by one. After each one, whether flower, butterfly, or leaf, the class would ooh and ahh. Then one was opened, revealing nothing inside. The children exclaimed, "That's stupid. That's not fair. Somebody didn't do their assignment."

Philip spoke up, "That's mine."

"Philip, you don't ever do things right!" the students retorted. "There's nothing there!"

"I did so do it," Philip insisted. "I did do it. It's empty. The tomb was empty!"

Silence followed. From then on Philip became a full member of the class.

He died not long afterward from an infection most normal children would have shrugged off. At the funeral this class of eight-year-olds marched up to the altar not with flowers, but with their Sunday school teacher, each to lay on it an empty pantyhose egg."

He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. (Matthew 28:6)

May the empty tomb make all the difference in your life!

## Newbia Baptist Church invites all to Easter morning services

Newbia Baptist Church, located on County Rd 330, Elba, will have an Easter Sunrise Service this Sunday, April 9, beginning at 6:30 a.m. Following the service, breakfast will be served in the fellowship hall.

## Community Easter Egg Hunt set for Saturday morning at Elba UMC

A Community Easter Egg Hunt will be held Saturday, April 8, at 10 a.m., at Elba United Methodist Church, located at 503 W Davis St., in Elba.

## Spring Revival planned April 10-12 at GNZMBC

Spring Revival services will be held April 10-12 at Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church in Elba. Services will be at 7 p.m. nightly. Revivalist for Monday and Tuesday nights [April 10 & 11], will be Rev. Bryan Brunson, pastor of New Beginning Christian Church, Brantley, Ala., and the revivalist for Wednesday night [April 12] will be Rev. Marvin Luckett Jr., pastor of Greater New Zion Missionary Baptist Church. All are invited to attend.

**Help us to Share Your upcoming Church events with the Community!**  
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## Round and About With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: The Peril of Adultery [Proverbs 5: 1-23]

### Thinking of You! Praying for You.

Shane Williams, Brandon/Eliza N. Kelley, Kelly Phillips, Sharron Fitch, Shanika Pruitt/Tyce/Tyrek, Min. Randy Miller, Albert Walker, Rev. W.L. Peterson, Grady Brooks, Families of the late Rose Coleman

### April Birthdays/Anniversaries

Kathryn Cole Daniels 4/20  
Dorothy Richardson 4/21  
Ruby Stinson 4/22  
Martha Rowe 4/22 (in memory)  
Ron Hill 4/24  
Collin Harrison 4/26  
Belinda Ordon 4/27 (in memory)  
Gladys Waters Gordon 4/27  
Commissioner Jimmy E. Jones 4/29  
J'Rell K. Smedley 4/30  
Dwight Belcher 4/30  
Gaynes Waters 4/30 (in memory)

### We Are David

On November 14, 1970, the Marshall University football team was returning from a game in North Carolina to the Marshall campus in Huntington, West Virginia. The charter plane they were on crashed, killing all 75 individuals on board. Those who perished included 37 players, head coach Rick Tolley, members of his coaching staff, the school's athletic director, and 25 athletic boosters. In 2006, a movie was made to tell the story of that team and that tragedy. It's title was brief but compelling: We Are Marshall.

In a sense all Christians can say: "We are David." True, few of us have had any experience watching sheep or fighting wild animals in defense of sheep. But what the Lord said to David in I Samuel 7: 8,9 could be applied to His treatment of any of us. God took us from

what we were (lost, sinful) and made us part of His family. We did nothing to deserve such a status; what we deserved was condemnation. But Jesus, who had done nothing to deserve death, gave His life for us at the cross.

Paul states the contrast first by 'describing humanity's sorry status: "dead in trespasses and sins...fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind" (Ephesians 2: 1,3). The comes the welcome remedy: "But God, who is rich in mercy...hath quickened us together with Christ" [2: 4,5]. This is the same mercy that took David from the humble task of watching sheep to become Israel's greatest King and the recipient of a very special covenant indeed. While few of us have had any experience watching sheep, we have all had experience acting like sheep by "going astray" [1 Peter 2: 25]. And we have all been rescued by the Good Shepherd. — Standard Publishing, Part of the David C Cook Family

### Question/Answer Section

Q/A for the Week of 4/6/23 Fill in the Blanks

Q: In John's vision, he sees a door in heaven that is

A: Opened [Revelation 4:1]  
Q: The Lord commanded the people of Israel to observe a \_\_\_\_\_ every 50 years.

A: Liberty [Leviticus 25:10]  
Q: As the writer of Psalm 34 sought the Lord, he was delivered from his \_\_\_\_\_

A: Fears [Psalm 34:4]

### Questions for the Week of 4/13/23 Multiple Choice

Q: What did God promise to put in/on the temple? (his name, his seal, his blessing)  
Q: After the resurrection, Peter decided to do what? (go fishing, hunt, sleep)

**Happy Easter Everyone!**  
Today is a good day! Be grateful.  
Eria's Daughter, Sue

## Church Directory

<p><b>IN HIM WAS LIFE AND THE LIFE WAS THE LIGHT OF MEN</b></p> <p><b>ABUNDANT LIFE CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.</b> Richard Thorne Sr., Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ALBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Harry Driggers, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sam Self, Pastor Sunday School... 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Deborah A. Butler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>BETHLEHEM BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BETHANY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Greg Cotter, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m. Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BLUFF SPRINGS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>BROOKLYN BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Robert Davis, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>CHESTNUT GROVE METHODIST CHURCH</b> Remonia Smith, Pastor Church Service... 9:00 a.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. 1st, 3rd &amp; 5th Sundays Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays</p> <p><b>CORNERSTONE BIBLE CHURCH</b> Larry Mills, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>COVENANT COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Paul Jackson, Pastor Sunday Fellowship 9:30 a.m. Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m. Wed. Night "Peak of the Week &amp; meal... 5:30 p.m. Bible Study &amp; Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>DAMASCUS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Steve Watson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>DORCAS BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>EAON BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Mark Ward, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Philip Box, Minister Bible Study... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD</b> David Noble, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY</b> H.L. Buckner, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Night... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA DELIVERANCE TABERNACLE</b> Allen Richards, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Dwight Johnson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Kit Johnson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Steve Reneau, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ELBA ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Lovell Martin, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>EVANGELIST TEMPLE CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b> Timothy Williams, Pastor Sunday School... 10:30 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>FAIRVIEW BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>FAITH CHAPEL COMMUNITY CHURCH</b> Phillip Adeock, Pastor Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD - KINSTON</b> Danny Bradshaw, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST</b> Scott Donaldson, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS CHURCH</b> Edward E. Drake, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>GODS POWER HOUSE EVANGELISTIC CHURCH</b> Overseers - Billy Berry Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m. Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>GRACE FELLOWSHIP</b> John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>GREATER NEW ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Marvin Luckett Jr., Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC</b> W. K. Ellison, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HAW HILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Shirley Ellis, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>HEBRON BAPT. CHURCH</b> Mark Cooper, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:30 p.m. Wed. Even. Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>HOLY TEMPLE COGIC</b> Glenwood, AL Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m. Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Wesley D. Ard, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>INO BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Garry Winstead, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Matthew Morris, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.</p> <p><b>KINSTON 1st BAPT CHURCH</b> Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LIVING WORD CHURCH</b> Derrick Stinson, Pastor Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m. Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LIBERTY CHURCH OF CHRIST</b> Greg Hanchey, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>LOVE'S WAY CHURCH</b> Charles Jones, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. CALVARY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> J. R. Parks, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 1st &amp; 3rd Sundays</p> <p><b>MT. GILEAD BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Dewey Emfinger, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. OLIVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Olan Strickland, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Will Jordan, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p>	<p><b>NEW PHILADELPHIA CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST</b> Loreart Flowers, Minister Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays</p> <p><b>OAK GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Julian Mitchell, Pastor 1st - 4th Sun. Morn. Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>OLD TABERNACLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH</b> Lee Jones, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.</p> <p><b>PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW JERUSALEM CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST - ENTERPRISE</b> W. K. Ellison, Pastor Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m. Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEWBIA BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Ed Russell, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m. Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW BROCKTON METHODIST CHURCH</b> Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Terry Godwin, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>PRaise &amp; GLORY WORSHIP CENTER</b> Roy L. Turner, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>ROCKY HEAD M.B. CHURCH</b> A. R. Williams, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m. 2nd &amp; 4th Sundays</p> <p><b>ROETON BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>SHADY GROVE AME</b> James Boots, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>SHILOH BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 4:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Brad Sasser, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST</b> Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Neon Worship... 12 noon Even. Service... 7:00 p.m. Youth Ser. Mon... 7:00 p.m. Wed. Bible Class... 7:00 p.m. Fri. Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.</p>	<p><b>THE WAY OF HOLINESS CHURCH, Elba</b> Max Reed, Minister Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m. Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>TRINITY BAPTIST CHURCH</b> C.P. Davis, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>VANDERBILT HOLINESS CHURCH</b> Donald Mills, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>VICTORIA BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Shayne Allen, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:45 p.m. Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>VICTORY TABERNACLE</b> Ruby Lawson, Pastor Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>WESTSIDE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Ken Wilson, Pastor Sunday School... 9:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>WHITEWATER BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.</p> <p><b>WISE MILL ASSEMBLY OF GOD</b> Dustin Wiscarver, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m. Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>WOODLAND GROVE BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Donnie Marler, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:30 p.m. Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>WOOTEN CHAPEL ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH</b> Mike Medley, Pastor Sunday School... 10:00 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 5:00 p.m. Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.</p> <p><b>ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH</b> Cary Maulden, Pastor Sunday School... 9:45 a.m. Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m. Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.</p>
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## LIFESTYLES



Students in ESCC's first Skid Steer class receive a certificate for their completed training. Pictured, in order by last name, are James DeVasure, Howard Drew, ESCC President Danny Long, Willie Mason, Charles Newman, Preston Powell, ESCC Director of Workforce Development Leigh Shiver, Robert Thoms, Dakota Wicker, Instructor Tim Williams and Danny Wright.

### Eight complete skid steer training at ESCC

On Friday, March 24, eight students, including one high school student, completed the first skid steer training course offered at ESCC.

"We're proud to offer this training to our community," ESCC Director of Workforce Development Leigh Shiver said. "This training has helped these students develop the skills they need to be successful in their current job or in finding a great job."

The free training was developed through the Alabama Community College System's Skills for Success program. Students completed online work before receiving hands-on training March 23-24.

Skills for Success is ACCS's rapid workforce training program that launched in early 2022. It was developed in partnership with the state's businesses and industries so the training is aligned with the skills employers say workers need to fill available jobs.

The appeal to trainees — other than getting the skills needed for an in-demand job — is that Skills for Success training is offered at no cost thanks to appropriations from the Legislature and can usually be completed in two to three weeks.

A reason Skills for Success training can be completed so quickly is part of it is offered online, with

self-paced interactive learning that can take place anywhere a student can connect to the Internet. Upon completing the online portion of the course, students then complete hands-on training with qualified instructors and earn an ACCS credential that shows employers they are job ready.

Instructor Tim Williams said these trainings are extremely beneficial to participants, "either to do the career they're already in or to start a new career." He also said there was a demand for trained skid steer drivers, so much so that employers are asking to hire students before they finish the course.

"Every time we've had a class, they've been filled, and there are people that will actually see us when we go out somewhere and try to interview our students while we're on break," he said.

High school student Preston Powell took part in ESCC's training, where he learned how to operate and maneuver skid steers safely, among other skills. He said he was "excited" to see the free training being offered.

"As soon as I saw it, I jumped on it and applied for it," he said. "As soon as I got the email to do the online portion, I finished that in a couple of hours. I hope to use this after I graduate high school. If someone needs to run a skid steer or heavy equipment, I've

got the certificate and the knowledge how to do it and do it safely."

Student Charles Newman is interested in working in the construction industry. He said completing training like the Skid Steer class shows initiative to employers.

"This training will help me achieve a certificate," he said. "That way, whenever I go to employers to apply for jobs in the construction industry, I'll actually have the certification to back it up."

More than 2,700 Alabamians have registered for Skills for Success training for jobs in industries ranging from construction and fiber optics to trucking and food and beverage services. To find out more information and view a list of available training courses, visit [innovation.accs.edu](http://innovation.accs.edu).

ESCC will hold a second skid steer training class April 6-7. If interested in joining the next class, visit [escc.edu/skidsteer](http://escc.edu/skidsteer).

### New Hope Senior Center looking for new participants

The New Hope Senior Citizens Center is taking applications for new participants. Must be age 60 or older. For more information, contact Conzuella Banks, center manager.

### Wyrosdick competes in Miss Huntingdon

The annual Miss Huntingdon Pageant was held Saturday, April 1, with thirteen Huntingdon women participating in the pageant, including Coffee County native Lougener Blair Wyrosdick. She is a sophomore majoring in biochemistry/pre-health and is the daughter of Lougener and Jamie Wyrosdick of Kinston, Ala. She serves as correspondence chair for the Freshman Leadership Initiative, director of alumni relations for Alpha Omicron Pi women's fraternity; and a member of the Madison Society, the Future Physicians Club, Circle K, and the Hawks cheer



Blair Wyrosdick

team. Her philanthropy was Ronald McDonald House Charities. Blair graduated high school from Kinston School.

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### MEMBERS OF THE ELBA MASONIC LODGE #170 MET

on the morning of Thursday, March 27, in a special called meeting to initiate Brother Jeremy Wade Bess into lodge membership. After the initiation, all enjoyed fellowship and work. Those present for this meeting included: (front, l to r) Steven Hunko, Joe Bess, Jeremy Wade Bess, Wendell Black, Ronnie Rawls, Seth Hanchey, Troy Gideon III, and Jack Caradine; (middle, l to r) Allan Crenshaw, James Beasley, Dale Stewart, Ashton Davis, Joel Moore, and Mike Porterfield; (back, l to r) James Mowery, PGM Tommy Morrow, and Mike Murphy.



**MEMBERS OF THE ELBA MASONIC LODGE #170 GATHERED** Monday, April 3, for a regular meeting during which Brother Steven Matthew Little was passed to a Fellow Craft. The meeting consisted of work, good food and fellowship. Those present included: (front, l to r) Earl Smith, Daniel Stephens, Jim Little, Steven Matthew Little, Seth Hanchey, Ashton Davis, Ray Kyle, Chris Sanders, Ronnie Rawls, Eddie Kelley, and Troy Gideon III; (2nd row, l to r) Matt Brunson Sr., Mike Amison, Jerome Blackmon, Michael Phelps, Joe Daugherty, Allan Crenshaw, and Randy Hawthorne; (third row, l to r) Justin Prescott, Dustin Hunt, Dale Stewart, Shane Goude, Drexell Richards, Steve Dewberry, and Joel Moore; (back, l to r) James Mowery, Tommy Morrow, W/M Wendell Black, Jack Caradine, Bernice Donaldson, and Joe Thomas.

### "Happy Days Ahead" Mental Health Peer Support Group meets Monday nights at the Rabbit Hole in Elba, Ala.

The "Happy Days Ahead" Mental Health Peer Support Group meets every Monday night at the Rabbit Hole, 218 Factory Ave., Elba, beginning at 6 p.m.

This is a safe, confidential space to talk, network and grow in recovery.

For more information,



Happy Easter

### Annual Foggy Bottom Cruisin' Car Show set for May 6 in Elba

The Annual Foggy Bottom Cruisin' Car Show will be held Saturday, May 6, in historic downtown Elba, Ala., as part of the 2023 Rockin' the River event.

The car show will be from 9 a.m. until 1 p.m. In case of rain, it will be rescheduled for May 13th.

There is no admission charge to come check out all the different cars and trucks as there will be numerous makes and models on display. Multiple trophies will

be awarded to the car show participants.

Also, the day's events will include live music, food trucks, and vendors.

For more information about the Foggy Bottom Cruisin' Car Show, contact Kenneth Calhoun at (334) 313-5505 or register online at [www.rockintheriverelba.com](http://www.rockintheriverelba.com) [or register the day of the event on site].

The car show is sponsored by the Foggy Bottom Cruisers, a local club for car enthusiasts.

### RWCC to meet Wednesday, April 19

The Republican Women of Coffee County will meet Wednesday, April 19, at 11 a.m., at the Enterprise Country Club, 3000 Ozark Highway.

The guest speakers will be Alabama Court of Civil Appeals Judge Matt Friday and Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals Judges Richard Minor and Chris

McCool. Social time begins at 11 a.m.; an optional \$12 buffet begins at 11:30; and the program begins at approximately 12 noon.

Everyone is invited, but reservations are required. Contact Shannon no later than April 16 to RSVP at 334-494-2753 or [rwccreservations@gmail.com](mailto:rwccreservations@gmail.com)

### Military Support Group Meetings in Enterprise:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

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### STATE OF ALABAMA COUNTY OF COFFEE

NOTICE is hereby given that a bill substantially as follows will be introduced in the 2023 Regular Session of the Legislature of Alabama and application for its passage and enactment will be made:

### A BILL TO BE ENTITLED AN ACT

Relating to Coffee and Pike Counties and the Twelfth Judicial Circuit; to amend Section 45-16-82.27, Code of Alabama 1975, to further provide for fees related to the pretrial diversion program; and to make nonsubstantive, technical revisions to update the existing code language to current style.

### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

Section 1. Section 45-16-82.27, Code of Alabama 1975, is amended to read as follows:

"§45-16-82.27

(a) An applicant may be assessed a fee when the applicant is approved for the program. The amount of the assessment for participation in the program shall be in addition to any court costs and assessments for victims or drug, alcohol, or anger management treatment required by law, the district attorney, or the court, and are in addition to costs of supervision, treatment, and restitution for which the pretrial diversion admittee may be responsible. Pretrial diversion program fees as established by this subpart may be waived or reduced due to indigency or reduced ability to pay or for other just cause at the discretion of the district attorney. The determination of indigency of the offender, for the purpose of pretrial diversion admission, fee waiver, or reduction, shall be made by the district attorney. A schedule of payments for any of these fees may be established by the district attorney.

(b) The following fees shall be paid by applicants accepted into the pretrial diversion program:

(1) Felony offenses: Up to two thousand dollars (\$2,000).

(2) Driving Under the Influence offenses: Up to two thousand one hundred dollars (\$2,100).

(3) Misdemeanor offenses, excluding traffic: Up to one thousand dollars (\$1,000).

(4) Traffic offenses: Up to four hundred fifty dollars (\$450).

(5) Violations: Up to three hundred fifty dollars (\$350).

(c) In cases where the applicant is not indigent, as determined by the district attorney, in felony cases, fifty dollars (\$50) of the fee, and in misdemeanor and violation cases, twenty-five dollars (\$25) of the fee, for each applicant accepted into the pretrial diversion program, shall be allocated to the Coffee County Circuit Clerk's Office, for offenses filed in Coffee County, and to the Pike County Circuit Clerk's Office, for offenses filed in Pike County. Money allocated to a circuit clerk pursuant to this subsection shall be available for use, at the clerk's discretion, to support the clerk's office operation. These uses may include, but are not limited to, hiring employees, buying needed equipment and supplies, or providing training opportunities.

(d) In cases where the applicant is not indigent, as determined by the district attorney, in felony cases, fifty dollars (\$50) of the fee, and in misdemeanor and violation cases, twenty-five dollars (\$25) of the fee, for each applicant accepted into the pretrial diversion program, shall be allocated to the Coffee County General Fund for offenses filed in Coffee County or to the Pike County General Fund

for offenses filed in Pike County.

(e) In cases where the applicant is not indigent, as determined by the district attorney, in felony cases, fifty dollars (\$50) of the fee, and in misdemeanor and violation cases twenty-five dollars (\$25) of the fee, for each applicant accepted into the pretrial diversion program, shall be allocated to the arresting or ticketing law enforcement agency making the case. Those fees may be used at the agency's discretion to support its operations. These uses may include, but are not limited to, hiring employees, buying needed equipment and supplies, providing training opportunities, or any other lawful purpose.

(f) Except as herein specifically allocated, the district attorney may use fees collected by the pretrial diversion program to fund the pretrial diversion program; for the prosecution of state criminal cases; to help support local and state law enforcement and coroners; for education programs which relate to the prosecution of, detection of, or prevention of crime; or, to benefit any agency or department of state, city, or county government which assists local law enforcement. This support shall be provided to help employ more prosecutors, law enforcement officers, investigators, or staff, buy needed equipment or supplies, provide training opportunities, or for any other prosecutorial or law enforcement purpose.

(g) Except for court costs, which are payable by the applicant directly to the clerk of court, fees required by this subpart shall be collected by the office of the District Attorney of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit in the county and division in which the offense was filed. Those fees collected shall be deposited by the district attorney into the Pretrial Diversion Fund as described in Section 45-16-82.30. The district attorney shall timely make disbursement as provided in this subpart.

(h) The district attorney shall be allowed without further legislative action to raise fees to meet and equal those prescribed by the Alabama Legislature in the event a state pretrial diversion program is enacted after the passage of this subpart. Any state pretrial diversion program may supersede this subpart, but may be construed to require further and additional penalties."

Section 2. This act shall become effective on the first day of the third month following its passage and approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF: ALDINE DAVIS EVANS, Deceased.

CASE NO: PC 2023-015

TAKE NOTICE that Letters of Administration having been granted to Tommy Evans, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Aldine Davis Evans, deceased, on the 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all persons having claims against the said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Tommy Evans

Personal Representative 3/23,30&4/6-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN RE: THE ESTATE OF DAVID FERRELL

CREECH, DECEASED

CASE NO. PC-2023-016

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

/s/ Thomas A. Blackstock, Jr.

Thomas A. Blackstock, Jr. Attorney for Justin Cody Creech, Personal Representative 3/23,30&4/6-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO: PC 2023-014

IN THE MATTER OF JUDY, G. WEBER, Deceased.

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 10<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

/s/ APRIL SCHULTZ

Personal Representative 3/23,30&4/6-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO. PC-23-005

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF NED H. MADDUX Deceased.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Take notice that Letters Testamentary were granted to Anthony W. Maddox, as Personal Representative of the Estate of Ned H. Maddox, deceased, on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, by the Judge of Probate for Coffee County, Alabama. Notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against the said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023.

/s/ Anthony W. Maddox, Personal Representative 3/23,30&4/6-pd.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF: RITA F. DUBISAR, DECEASED.

CASE NO.: PC-2023-011

NOTICE OF APPOINTMENT

Letters of Administration of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2023, by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or such claims will be barred.

/s/ Toni Dewberry

TONI DEWBERRY Personal Representative 3/23,30&4/6-pd.

IN THE MATTER OF FRANCIS WILLIAM

ENGLISH Deceased

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

ELBA DIVISION

Case No. PC 2023-017

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 14<sup>th</sup> day of March 2023 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 14 day of March 2023

/s/ RUSSELL WADE

ENGLISH Personal Representative 3-23,30 & 4-6-pd

NOTICE OF CIVIL ACTION

Tim Kelley, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Alto Snell's Complaint for personal injuries as a result of a work-related incident which occurred at Dorsey Trailer, LLC in Elba, Alabama on February 02, 2019, within thirty (30) days from the date of the last publication, or a judgement by default may be rendered against him in Case No. CV-2021-900004, Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama. This notice shall be published once a week for four weeks.

Done the 22 day of March 2023.

/s/ Amy Reeves

Clerk of Court

Circuit Court of Coffee County, Alabama

Morris, Andrews, Talmadge & Driggers, LLC

/s/ S. Mark Andrews

S. Mark Andrews (AND 063)

Attorney for Plaintiff

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Dothan, Alabama 36303

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(334) 673-0077 facsimile

mandrews@mcattlaw.com

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IN THE MATTER OF MIRIAM B. DISMUKE, Deceased.

IN THE PROBATE COURT OF COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO: PC-2023-018

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March, 2023 by the Honorable Jodee Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of March 2023.

/s/ WENDI OAKES

Personal Representative 3/30,4/6&13-pd.

Notice of Public Sale. An online sale will be held at [www.storage-treasures.com](http://www.storage-treasures.com) for A-Less Storage Enterprise, Alabama on or after 12:30 PM Thursday April 20th 2023. Personal property of the following units will be sold for cash to satisfy owner's lien for due in accordance with AL Code § 8-15-34

UNIT A12-DAWN LOCKE

HHG

UNIT B22 & B17-GEORGE SELLERS HHG

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# COMMUNITY NEWS

## Alabamians need to heed FDA warning on contaminated eye drops

Eye physicians and surgeons in Alabama are urging citizens to heed warnings from the U.S. Food and Drug Administration about eye drops

**Eggs & Issues - Breakfast with the Chamber**

**Friday, April 21, 7:30 a.m.**

Elba First Baptist Church Fellowship Hall

Cost is \$12 for breakfast.

Call the Elba Chamber of Commerce for tickets or more information

**334-790-9081**

that could be contaminated with bacteria.

Consumers need to stop using products called Delsam Pharma's Artificial Eye Ointment, EzriCare Artificial Tears and Delsam Pharma's Artificial Tears. These are over-the-counter products manufactured by a company called Global Pharma Healthcare Private Limited.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention reports that 68 people were diagnosed with infections from the bacteria, which has caused three deaths and eight cases of people losing their vision.

"Redness, pain and discharge are

some of the early signs and symptoms of an eye problem, whether you're using these products or not," said Dr. Russell Read with UAB Callahan Eye Hospital. "If you have any of these symptoms or something out the ordinary, immediately contact your eye care provider. This is especially important if you wear contacts, which can make you more prone to infections."

To read the FDA warning, click here: <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drug-safety-and-availability/fda-warns-consumers-not-purchase-or-use-ezricare-artificial-tears-due-potential-contamination>

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ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS  
HVAC REPLACEMENT AT ZION CHAPEL HIGH SCHOOL BUILDING 5 FOR THE COFFEE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION  
ELBA, ALABAMA

MCKEE PROJECT NO: 22-227A

Sealed proposals as described above shall be received by Mrs. Kelly Cobb, Superintendent at the Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road Elba, AL 36323, Ph: 334-897-5016, until 2:00 PM Central Time, Thursday, April 13, 2023, then opened and read aloud. A Non-Mandatory Pre-Bid walk through shall occur on Wednesday, April 5, 2023 @ 9:00 AM Central Time starting at the principal's office at Zion Chapel High School, then proceeding to the other sites.

All General Contractors bidding these projects shall be required to visit the site and examine all existing conditions prior to submitting their proposal. All Bidders shall have general liability and workman's compensation insurance.

The projects shall be bid excluding taxes. Bids must be submitted on proposal forms furnished by the Architect or copies thereof. No bid may be withdrawn after scheduled closing for receipt of bids for a period of ninety (90) days. The Owner reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and to waive technical errors if, in the Owners judgment, the best interests of the Owner will thereby be promoted.

A certified check or Bid Bond payable to the Coffee County Schools in an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount of the bid, but in no event more than \$10,000.00 must accompany the bidder's proposal. Performance and statutory labor and material payment bonds will be required at the signing of the Contract.

All bidders bidding in amounts exceeding that established by the State Licensing Board for General Contractors must be licensed under the provisions of Title 34, Chapter 8, Code of Alabama, 1975, and must show evidence of license before bidding or bid will not be received or considered by the Architect. All bidders shall show such evidence by clearly displaying current license number on the outside of sealed envelope in which the proposal is delivered.

PDFs of the project can be reviewed by going to the McKee website @ [www.mckeeassoc.com](http://www.mckeeassoc.com) and selecting "Project Bid List". Also, if you are not receiving NOTIFICATIONS from us, please register on our website, "Project Bid List" by selecting manage your bid list profile. The documents may be viewed online and printed by General Contractors, SubContractors and Suppliers. Documents published through this procedure are the only documents endorsed by the

Architect. The Architect is unable to monitor, confirm and maintain other websites that provide documents. Addendums will be provided to entities that have CONFIRMED bidding for this particular project. The Architect retains ownership and copyrights of the documents. If bidders require printed sets, the following shall apply: Submit to the Architect at [mckeeplans@gmail.com](mailto:mckeeplans@gmail.com) the company's name, first & last name, phone number, address, project name & number along with a deposit of \$125.00 per set. The deposit shall be refunded for each set returned in reusable condition within ten days after bid opening.

All RFIs and RFAs regarding the bid documents shall be sent and addressed through emails found on the RFI and RFA forms in the project manual. NOTE: ONLY THE RFI AND RFA FORMS IN THE PROJECT MANUAL WILL BE ACCEPTED. The Architect will not accept inquiries via telephone or fax.

Completion Time: See scope of work in Project Manual. Supervision: Contractor to ensure proper supervision for all work.

Owner: Mrs. Kelly Cobb, Superintendent, Coffee County Board of Education, 400 Reddoch Hill Road Elba, AL 36323, Phone: 334-897-5016  
Architect: McKee and Associates Architects, Inc., 631 South Hull Street, Montgomery, Alabama 36104, Phone: 334-834-9933  
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### NOTICE OF TERMINATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS ACTION

Notice to: William Christopher Jackson father of E.B.P. (DOB 04/02/2021), and DJ.G. (DOB 10/06/2017), mother Shelia Paul, whose whereabouts are unknown, must answer Coffee County Department of Human Resources' petition for Termination of Parental Rights filed the 17th day of January, 2023, (set for hearing on the 8th day of June, 2023 at 10:00 a.m., Coffee County Courthouse, Elba, Alabama) and other relief by the 27th day of May 2023, or, thereafter, a judgment by default may be rendered against him in Case No. 19 JU 2021-56.03 and 19 JU 2021-57.03, in the Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division.

Done this, the 31st day of March, 2023.

Hon. Amy Reeves, Clerk of

the Circuit  
230 P Court Avenue  
Elba, Alabama 36323  
Juvenile Court of Coffee County, Alabama, Elba Division  
(334) 897-2954

David M. White  
Attorney for CCDHR  
P.O. Box 311412  
Enterprise, Alabama 36331  
(334) 393-6439  
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BID#: 2023-05

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS Coffee County, Alabama

Separate, sealed bids for the Proposed Sub-Contract Phases for "SBI-ABC Joint Facility" in Enterprise, Alabama, will be received by the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351, until 10:00 a.m. on the date of the bid in the Commission Office. Final bids must be received before the deadline at 10:00 a.m., May 2nd, 2022. Bids will be publicly opened and read aloud in the Community Room of the County Commission Office at 1065 E. McKinnon St., New Brockton, AL, 36351. Project prime phase I work consists of three (3) individual contracts as follows:

1. Building Contract a. All concrete site paving with testing, curb and gutter, walkways, flat-work and associated grading/fill/compaction. All exterior siding (brick and metal).
- b. PEMB systems and erections with exterior insulation (roof and walls) - see alternates for optional insulation. Standing seam metal roof with gutter, downspouts, required trim and flashing. Monument sign structure.
2. Plumbing & Electrical Contract a. Plumbing - rough and final plumbing - material, fixtures, and all miscellaneous accessories.
- b. Electrical - interior and exterior power and lighting. Rough-in for fire-protection, security, access control, CCTV, and data. Power to gate operator and monument sign.
3. HVAC Contract a. Equipment, duct-work, controls, T&B.

(Note - All contracts to be individually permitted and bonded)  
(Note - All phase II future work to be advertised and bid separately at a time to be determined)  
The project work consists of "A new joint facility for SBI-ABC," located at 119 Commerce Drive, Enterprise, Alabama 36330, as indicated in the project documents, include par-

tial civil work to be coordinated with the County Engineering Department thereafter a full ground up completed facility. County will act as Construction-Project Manager (CPM). All work schedules will be coordinated by the designated representative. The Plans, Specifications, and other Contract Documents may be examined at the following: Coffee County Commission Rod Morgan  
2 County Complex  
New Brockton, AL 36351  
(334) 894-5556

Bid Documents & Plans be obtained from G. Mark Pepe Architect, 307 W. Adams St, Dothan, AL 36303. Call 334-712-9721. Bidding Documents for all interested bidders may be obtained upon payment of a deposit of \$200.00 per set. The deposit will be refunded in full to each prime contractor upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening. For non-prime contractors, the deposit shall be refunded less \$50.00 to cover the cost of printing, reproduction, handling, and distribution, upon return of the documents in reusable condition within 10 days after bid opening. No partial sets will be sold.

The owner reserves the right to waive any informality or to reject any or all bids.

/s/ Polly Mautner, Personal Representative  
4-6/13/20-pd

### IN THE PROBATE COURT FOR COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA ELBA DIVISION

In the Matter of the Estate of  
Robbie Ruth Hudson,  
Deceased

Case No. PC-2023-009

NOTICE OF

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING

ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

DRAFT

STATEWIDE TRANSPORTATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN - STIP

The Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) will hold public meetings to gather input regarding the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP). The following meetings are scheduled for:

Tuesday, May 9, 2023, 1:00 p.m. - Houston County Administration Building, 462 North Oates Street Dothan, AL 36303, 3rd Floor Commission Chambers  
Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 11:00 a.m. - Barbour County Courthouse, 201 Court Street, Clayton, AL 36016, Commission Chambers  
Wednesday, May 10, 2023, 2:00 p.m. - Coffee County Community Room, 1065 East McKinnon Street New Brockton, AL 36351

The ALDOT is seeking public comment on the proposed STIP, which includes a listing of specific transportation projects that will be funded during the next four years.

Each meeting will be held in an open house format. Displays and information, along with a short presentation, will be included to explain the requirements to have a STIP. ALDOT staff will be available to discuss planning efforts and answer questions.

Persons with disabilities should contact the SEARP&DC Rural Planning Organization, (334) 794-4093 (Ms. Emily VanSoyoc) to request special assistance. Please make this request at least one week prior to the meeting and specify the type of assistance needed.

The DRAFT STIP 2024-2027 will be available for review after May 1, 2023 at the SEARP&DC Offices, located at 462 North Oates Street in Dothan, AL.

Comments will be accepted until June 21, 2023 and should be forwarded to:

RPO Administrator  
Southeast Alabama RPO  
P.O. Box 1406  
Dothan, AL 36302  
OR:

Submit your comments electronically at: [evanscyoc@searpcdc.org](mailto:evanscyoc@searpcdc.org)

## Seniors age 60 and older encouraged to get active with Elba Senior Center

Seniors age 60 and older are encouraged to attend the Elba Senior Citizens Center. Along with nutritious meals five days a week, the director works with seniors to help them apply for several programs they may qualify, including Farmers Market Vouchers, HRDC- Energy Assistance, Food Assistance, Medicaid Waiver, Senior Rx Program, Medicare Savings Program, etc. Seniors must be an active participant at the Elba Senior center for the director to sign them up for the qualifying programs.

To become a center participant, attendance is not based on income. This is a social place to come have fun and find or make new friends. If interested in joining the center stop by or call (334) 897-3019. The center is located at 304 N. Factory Ave. (across from the Elba Police Department).

Seniors age 60 and older that cannot come to the center may qualify for meals being brought to their home.

For questions, call center director Donna Falls at (334) 897-3019.



## SPORTS NEWS

## Views From

## The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

*The Mularz Family headed off to the beach* last week for a few days or rest and relaxation, and it was a good time had by all as the girls enjoyed staying next to FloraBama, the grandchildren enjoyed the sand and water, and the grandparents got to babysit our youngest and get in a little walking along the shore. I'm not really a beach person, but I will admit it was a fun couple of days and I think everyone had a good time.

## For what it is worth....

\*\*\* *The Elba Tigers got rained out last week* at a spring break tournament in Opp, and while the rains did give the team a few extra days off, I still look for the Tigers to come out roaring in the weeks to come and turn the season around. While it is true the Tigers are already out of the playoff picture, they still love the sport and I expect them to post a winning record for the three weeks left on the schedule. *The Lady Tigers took the week off* and will face an almost non-stop schedule the rest of the season as they fight to earn a trip to the beach for the South Regionals. I know it may take the girls a few days to get back settled in, but I still believe their best softball is still yet to come.

\*\*\* *It was a quiet week for the teams in the area* as only Kinston was able to get in some games, and the Bulldogs made the most of their opportunities as they swept area foe Houston County to clinch a spot in the playoffs. The Bulldogs got off to a slow start this season, but have begun to look like a winning team in recent weeks and once the playoffs get started they will get the chance to make history.

\*\*\* *The high school sports scene* took a few days off last week due to spring break and while it did make it a little hard to find some sports to write about for this week's paper, I am sure the players and coaches needed the break and are enjoying their time off. The baseball season will get back to work with area games as they try to make the post-season party, while the softball teams will also get busy as they begin the final month of the regular season. The seasons may be winding down, but the excitement will be even greater than before and the fans should get to do a lot more cheering for their favorite teams.

\*\*\* *The Major League Baseball season* started this week and if you think pro football is just about millionaires playing football, the same can certainly be said about pro baseball players. Forbes released its list of big money players for the upcoming season and while it does include money made from endorsements, the figures are staggering. Angels pitcher Shohei Ohtani will make a cool \$65 million this season, followed in the top five, in order, by Mets pitcher Max Scherzer (\$59.3 million), Yankees outfielder Aaron Judge (\$44.5) million, Mets pitcher Justin Verlander (\$44.3 million) and Angels outfielder Mike Trout (\$39.5 million). While the players atop the big money list at least have a chance to earn some of their money, former Cincinnati Reds outfielder Ken Griffey has been retired for over a decade and is still the Reds fourth highest paid employee with an annual salary of \$3.6 million, due to a deferred payment plan. Since the golfers on the LIV Tour can make millions playing golf in short pants, I guess it is safe to say the sports world has changed since we were kids.

\*\*\* *In closing....* I didn't watch much of the NCAA tournaments over the weekend, but did catch the final few minutes of Iowa's win over South Carolina, and while I know the Gamecocks are in the SEC and were looking to add to the glory of the conference, their loss only proved once again that anybody can be beaten on any given night. A look at the men's bracket proved not even the committee knew as much as it thought. So, that is what makes March so maddening.

## Repeats as sophomore

## Whitfield named to 'Super 12' team

*The Dothan Eagle* announced its annual 'Super 12' high school girls' basketball team last week and included on the honored list for the second consecutive year was Elba Lady Tiger A'Lyric Whitfield.

Whitfield, a 5'6" sophomore, guard, averaged 23.4 points per game during the 2022-23 season and helped lead the Lady Tigers to the Class 1A state tournament. She also averaged 5 rebounds, 2.4 assists, 5.8 steals and 1.3 blocks a game.

Other members of this year's 'Super 12' were KK Hobdy, 5-6, senior, guard, Charles Henderson; Ameyah Gray, 5-10, senior, guard/forward, Carroll; Ganielle Palmer, 5-8, sophomore, guard, Eufaula; Alexis Neal, 6-0, senior, center, Headland; Makaley Boswell, 5-6, senior, guard, Geneva; Amiyah Lewis, 5-10, sophomore, center, Ashford; Ja'Mya Glover, 6-0, junior, guard/forward/center, Abbeville; Saniya Keys, 6-1, junior, center, Cottonwood; Jordyn Alston, 5-7, senior, guard, Geneva County; Emma Claire Long, 5-11, senior, forward, G.W. Long; and Brantley Edberg, 5-7, junior, guard, Samson.

Players receiving 'Honorable Mention' included; Sarah Amos, Enterprise; Taliyah Carter, Carroll; Iyauna Gordy, Eufaula; Simone Minnifield, Geneva; Kaden Ward, Geneva; Jekena Curl, Ashford; Lauren Baker, Houston Academy; Camille Reeves, Houston Academy; Dana Cool, Northside Methodist; Addie Forrester, Northside Methodist; Anna Beth Townsend, Providence Christian; Vanessa Stoudemire, Opp; Taniyah Green, Pike County; Amity White, Pike County; Gabby Brown, Abbeville; Bre Hardaman, Abbeville; Charlianna Boutwell, Geneva County; Maleah Long, G.W. Long; Tamia Peterson, Barbour County; Kaley Norris, Kinston; Caroline Armstrong, Abbeville Christian; Anna Grace Blalock, Abbeville Christian; Eliza Eriksen, Lakeside School; and, Chloe Helms, Lakeside School.

*Player of the Year - KK Hobdy, Charles Henderson*  
*Coach of the Year - Lacy Holmes, Geneva County*

## Spring turkey season underway across the state

Spring turkey season has opened for most Alabama counties.

In 2018, the Conservation Advisory Board passed a motion that set the start date for turkey season as the third Saturday in March each year.

The decision was made to allow as many hens as possible to breed before the males are harvested. Research suggests that slightly delaying the season could have a significant impact on increasing the turkey population. No changes were made to the bag limit, which is one gobbler per day with a total of five during the combined spring and fall seasons.

Hunters are reminded that all turkey harvests must be reported through Alabama's Game Check system either online at [www.outdooralabama.com](http://www.outdooralabama.com) or through the Outdoor Alabama mobile app. The Outdoor Alabama Mobile app is available at [www.outdooralabama.com/contact-us/mobile-apps](http://www.outdooralabama.com/contact-us/mobile-apps).



Elba Lady Tiger A'Lyric Whitfield (10) drives to the basket in post-season action. Whitfield, only a sophomore, was named to The Dothan Eagle 'Super 12' high school team for the second straight season.

(Photo by BC Sports Photography)

## Kinston Bulldogs clinch playoff berth

Statistics by  
GAMECHANGER

The Kinston Bulldogs clinched a berth in the Class 1A state high school baseball playoffs last week with a 5-2, 15-2 double-header sweep over the Houston County Lions.

In the opening 5-2 win, the Bulldogs carried a 4-0 lead into the sixth inning and turned back a late Lions rally to claim the area win. Marcus Free had 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston

at the plate, while Tripp Hawthorne added 2 hits and scored 2 runs; Drew Branch added 1 hit, scored 1 run and had 1 rbi; and, Brodie Walker added 1 hit and 2 rbi's. Cale Sumblin was the winning pitcher as he pitched five scoreless innings and allowed no hits, while striking out 12. Cade Jones pitched two innings and allowed one earned run on two hits, while striking out 16.

In the 15-2 win, the Bulldogs exploded for 11 runs in the fourth inning to stretch a slim 4-2 lead as

they completed the sweep. Tripp Hawthorne had 2 hits, scored 4 runs and had 1 rbi to lead Kinston at the plate, while Cade Jones added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 3 rbi's; Marcus Free added 2 hits, scored 1 run and had 2 rbi's; and, Owen Patterson added 1 hit, scored 3 runs and had 1 rbi. Owen Patterson pitched a three-inning one-hitter with three strikeouts to pick up the win on the mound, while CJ Lunsford pitched one inning of no-hit ball with three strikeouts.

## By The Dothan Eagle

## Two Rebels and one Gamecock chosen 'Super 12' honorable mention selections

*The Dothan Eagle* announced its annual 'Super 12' high school boys' basketball picks last week with two Zion Chapel Rebels and one New Brockton Gamecock earning 'Honorable Mention' honors.

Zion Chapel's Slade Grantham and Jacob Chestnut were among area players receiving honorable mention on the honored list of Wiregrass prep stars, as was New Brockton's Yassiah Rousseau.

Grantham, a 5-11, junior, guard, averaged 18.7 points a game in 32 games, as well as 5-5 rebounds, 3.1 assists and 3.1 steals. Chestnut, a 5-9, junior, guard, also played in 32 games and averaged 18.2 points a game, as well as 2.7 rebounds, 2.1 assists and .9 steals.

Rousseau, a 6-0, junior, guard/forward, played in 20 games and averaged 13.2 points, 5.5 rebounds,

.3 assists and 1.7 steals. Players named to the 'Super 12' included Thomas Dowd, 6-7, senior, guard, Dothan; Xavier Womack, 6-7, senior, center, Carroll; Austin Cross, 6-3, senior, guard, Charles Henderson; Jayden Spearman, 6-3, senior, forward, Charles Henderson; Toney Coleman, Jr., 6-3, junior, guard, Eufaula; Junior Smith, 6-6, freshman, forward, Dale County; Cam Fields, 6-1, junior, guard, Ashford; Rod Jackson, 6-3, junior, guard, Houston Academy; Pearce Boone, 6-4, freshman, forward, Providence Christian; Ian, Senn, 6-2, junior, guard, Ariton; Dylan Crawford, 6-2, senior, guard, Abbeville; and, Dyqwayshon Grubbs, 6-3, junior, guard, Barbour County.

Honorable mention honors went to Bryson Berry, Dothan; Mehkai

Menefee, Dothan; Jordan Hines, Enterprise; Lakeith Person, Carroll; Takota McLeod, Carroll; Jy'won Boyd, Charles Henderson; Tyler Charlton, Charles Henderson; Yhonzae Pierre, Eufaula; Cornelius Arnold, Headland; Tylon Williams, Headland; Jaxon Williams, Headland; Nick McCarter, Dale County; Noah Johnson, Geneva; Evan Griffin, Geneva; Rayshawn Miller, Slocomb; Brody Campbell, Slocomb; Cade Birge, Slocomb; Moses McDowell, Daleville; Kady Mitchell, Houston Academy; Brayden Clements, Northside Methodist; Ahmond Billins, Abbeville; Omari Holmes, Geneva County; Kell Brown, Abbeville Christian, and, Aden Spann, Wiregrass Kings.

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## SPORTS NEWS

## Brantley's Leanna Johnson moves atop career win list in Troy softball

Former Brantley Lady Bulldog softball standout Leanna Johnson added yet another page to her chapter in the Troy University record book last week when she became the school's 'All-Time' winningest pitcher in the history of Trojan softball with a 9-2 win over the University Louisiana-Monroe.

The win was the 94th of her career with the Trojans in 158 appearances and in the win pitched six innings with an earned run average of 1.31, and with the win upped her record this season to an outstanding 17-3.

During her career at Troy, Johnson has been named the 2019 Sun Belt Freshman of the Year, 2019 All-Sun Belt First Team, 2019 NFCA All-Sun Belt, 2021 Preseason All-Sun Belt, 2021 All-Sun Belt First Team, 2021 NFCA All-South Region Second Team, 2022 All-Sun Belt First Team, and 2022 NFCA All-South Region Second Team.

During her freshman season in 2019, Johnson ended the season with 231 strikeouts, 25 victories and seven shutouts, ranking her in Troy's top ten single-season records in all three categories. She posted a 2.19 earned run average over 217.3 innings and

tossed her first career no-hitter against Georgia Southern. She earned Pitcher of the Week honors on April 7 after picking up three wins, including two shutouts, and struck out a team high 15 batters in a win over Appalachian State.

During her freshman season in 2020, Johnson made 19 appearances with 14 starts and posted an 11-3 record. She led the nation in shutouts (7), ranked sixth in strikeouts (137), and ranked ninth in victories (11) and ninth in saves (3). She recorded a 1.71 earned run average, second best in the conference, held opponents to a .153 batting average and etched her name into the number nine spot in Troy's single-season shutouts list. She was the Sun Belt Conference Pitcher of the Week on March 3 after tossing a pair of shutouts and picking up a save.

During her sophomore season in 2021, Johnson was a three-time Sun Belt Pitcher of the Week honoree, ranked 12th nationally in strikeouts (260), 14th in strikeouts per seven innings (7), 22nd in hits allowed per seven innings (4.14) and 26th in victories (21). She led the conference in shutouts, strikeouts and hits allowed, ranked fifth all-

time in Troy single-season wins (21), fifth in strikeouts and eighth in shutouts. The hard throwing right-hander appeared in 36 games, made 29 starts and posted a 21-8 record with a 1.66 earned run average over 181 innings, held her opponents to a .166 batting average, hurled 11 double-digit strikeout performances and tossed a shutout in the NCAA Tournament.

During her junior season in 2022, Johnson posted a 20-12 record inside the circle with a 2.17 earned run average, 242 strikeouts and held opposing batters to a .184 average in 196.2 innings of work. She ranked second in the Sun Belt and 22nd in the nation with her strikeout total, while her 8.6 strikeouts per seven inning game ranked fifth and 51st, respectively. She led the conference and was 21st in the nation with eight shutouts, the fourth most in Trojan history, and took over the all-time shutout lead at Troy with 29. She recorded double-digit strikeouts on nine different occasions, with a season high 15 in a complete game win over North Carolina State. She did not allow an earned run in 16 of her 40 appearances and allowed two or fewer earned runs in 31 outings.

Johnson began her pitching career at Brantley High School, where she led the Lady Bulldogs to four state championships (2014, 2015, 2016, 2018). She was named the Alabama Sports Writers Association 1A Player of the Year in 2015, 2016 and 2018, was named the Gatorade Player of the Year in Alabama in 2018, was named the ASWA Player of the Year in 2018, and was named Miss Softball in Alabama in 2018. She holds school records in career wins (162), career no-hitters (29) career perfect games (6) and career strikeouts (1,714).

She is the daughter of Lisa and Stephen Johnson and is majoring in interdisciplinary studies.



## High School Sports

## PREP BASEBALL/SOFTBALL SCHEDULES

## Thursday, April 6

(Baseball)  
Houston County at Elba (DH)  
Pike County at New Brockton  
Zion Chapel at Arton  
(Softball)  
Elba at Houston County  
Zion Chapel at Goshen  
Ashford at Brantley

## Friday, April 7

(Baseball)  
Elba at Houston County  
New Brockton at Pike County (DH)  
Straughn at Brantley  
Arton at Zion Chapel (DH)  
(Softball)  
Pike County at Elba  
Brantley, at Saraland Tournament

## Saturday, April 8

(Softball)  
Brantley, at Saraland Tourney

## Monday, April 10

(Baseball)  
Wicksburg at Elba  
Brantley at New Brockton  
(Softball)  
Kinston at Elba  
Brantley at Red Level

## Tuesday, April 11

(Baseball)  
Elba at Pleasant Home  
Floral at Kinston  
Brantley at Greenville  
Pike Lib at Zion Chapel  
(Softball)  
Eufaula at New Brockton  
New Brockton at Pike Lib.  
Brantley vs. Houston County (Dothan)  
Brantley vs. Rehobeth (Dothan)  
Zion Chapel at Luverne

## Thursday, April 13

(Baseball)  
Pleasant Home at Elba (DH)  
New Brockton at Opp  
Kinston at Floral (DH)  
McKenzie at Brantley  
(Softball)  
Brantley vs. Enterprise (Dothan)  
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Pike Lib at Zion Chapel  
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## COMMUNITY NEWS



Zion Chapel's Avery Padgett and Ethan Young (pictured, center) received their seventh all-time Freedom Marine Center Contingency Check for \$1,000 on Saturday, March 25th.

### Zion Chapel Bass Team wins Freedom Marine Center Contingency award at Saturday, March 25, tournament

Weather always plays a role when fishing; there are easy days and challenging days. The Zion Chapel Bass Team faced a weather delay Saturday, March 25, when they fished Lake Martin; however, the daunting weather cleared and allowed the team to have a productive day of fishing.

With Kyle Padgett as captain, Team Avery Padgett/Ethan Young fished their third tournament on the Alabama BASS Nation

High School/Tiger Trail. They caught their limit of five fish weighing in at 6.88 pounds, which was not a good day for weight, but, as their coach stated, it was a good day for money. For the seventh time, Padgett/Young won the Freedom Marine Center Contingency check for \$1,000. One of the BASS Nation officials commented that Ken Chambers (Freedom Marine owner) is paying for their education at Troy

University.

The ZCBT salutes the Kinston Bass Team, another Coffee County School, for placing in the top ten. This is Kinston's first year competing, and the team was organized by a familiar face, Brian Lassiter. Brian served as captain for the ZCBT in their early years of tournament fishing.

The Zion Chapel Bass Team has often mentioned their sponsors, but they have never named them. This team could not travel and compete in these tournaments without financial support.

The team thanks the following sponsors for the current year: Premier Chrysler Dodge Jeep of Troy, S & C Materials & Paving Inc., K W Plastics, Coastal Plains Land & Timber, Front Porch, Williams Auto Parts, O'Reilly's, Guns R Us, Commercial Door Products, Jones Animal Clinic, Wards Yamaha, The Ward Co., Laser Engraving & Designs, Caylor/Snellgrove Heating & Cooling, and Elba Finance LLC.

### Narcan nasal spray approved for nonprescription use

The U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) has approved the Narcan@4 mg nasal spray medication for over-the-counter non-prescription use. Narcan is designed to help reverse the effects of an opioid overdose in minutes. Narcan nasal spray is first naloxone product approved for use without a prescription. In the next few months, Narcan can be sold directly to consumers in locations such as drug stores, convenience stores, grocery stores and gas stations, as well as online. In addition to Narcan, naloxone is available in an injectable form and in other doses. The other formulations and dosages of naloxone will remain available by prescription only. Therefore, the standing order by State Health Officer Dr. Scott Harris will remain in place for naloxone and does not expire.

The standing order allows

pharmacists to dispense naloxone formulations and dosages that are prescription only. Medicaid patients can access naloxone through prescription.

"The Alabama Pharmacy Association applauds the FDA's decision to make this life-saving drug available without a prescription to anyone who needs it," said Louise Jones, APA chief executive officer. "Only the Narcan 4 mg nasal spray version has been approved for over-the-counter (OTC) use. The Alabama current statewide standing order issued by the state health officer will remain in place as the injectable version will still require a prescription. It should be noted that Alabama Medicaid recipients have coverage for the nasal spray, but Medicaid requires a prescription for OTC products. APA, in collaboration with the Alabama Department of Public Health and Alabama Medicaid, has

worked to maintain access for our state's most vulnerable population."

Jones added, "Pharmacists and pharmacy practices across Alabama who have participated in the Naloxone Statewide Standing Order have been, and will continue to be, instrumental in helping patients get access to naloxone, and other supportive therapies to help reduce the risk of an opioid-related overdose. Pharmacies are highly accessible, critical access points that allow patients, caregivers, and families to connect with their trusted pharmacist to learn more about naloxone and the risk associated with opioid medications."

Naloxone information can be viewed at the following website: <https://www.alabamapublichealth.gov/pharmacy/naloxone.html>

Additional resources are also available at <https://vitalababama.com/get-information/odds-are-alabama/>



**MASTER GARDENER'S PLANT SALE...**The members of the Coffee County Master Gardener's Association recently held their annual plant sale in Enterprise. Members brought plants from their gardens with photos and instructions on how to care for many of the plants that were for sale. Special thanks to all the individuals who purchased plants to make this a successful fund raiser. Shown in photo from left Debbie Austin; CCMGA President Rodney Penue; Jacque Hawkins; Georgia Fleming; Cliff Capps; Fran Garza; Ona Garwood and Brenda Evans. If interested in becoming a Master Gardener, contact the Coffee County Extension Office, 334-894-5596, to be added to the list for the next Master Gardener Training.



**ANDERSON SPEAKS TO DAR CHAPTER...**Dr. Jack Anderson (right) was the featured speaker on "Flags" at the John Coffee Daughters of the American Revolution NSDAR Chapter meeting. Anderson has a large collection of flags he has accumulated over the years, and each one has a very interesting story behind its adoption and when it was flown. The flag shown in the photo is the first "Navy Jack Flag" (1775) and was the naval jack of the United States from 1775 to 1776 and again from 2002 to 2019. It was authorized by the U.S. Navy and was flown from the jackstaff of commissioned vessels of the U.S. Navy while moored pier-side or at anchor. Its design consists of a rattlesnake, superimposed across 13 horizontal alternating red and white stripes with the motto "Don't Tread on Me." Some of the other flags shown and origins explained included the "Benning/Fillmore Flag" (1776), "Flag of the United States" (1777) with 13 stripes and 13 white stars in a blue field; "Bonnie Blue Flag" (1810) Republic of West Florida; "Star Spangled Banner" (1814) with 15 stripes and 15 stars; "23 Star Flag" (1820), which includes Alabama; "Stars and Bars" (1861) flag of the Confederacy; and the current flag with 50 stars 1959 to present day. Also pictured, left, is John Coffee DAR Regent Jacque Hawkins.

### Lambert named to Provost's List at Troy University

Jessica Lambert, of Elba, Ala., has been named to the Provost's List at Troy University for Term 3 of the 2022-2023 academic year.

The Provost's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who have a grade point average of at least 3.65. Term 3 includes students at TROY's campuses in Dothan, Phenix City and Montgomery, Ala., along with students outside of Alabama and online.

### Robbins named to Chancellor's List at Troy

Amanda Robbins, of Kinston, Ala., has been named to the Chancellor's List at Troy University for Term 3 of the 2022-2023 academic year.

The Chancellor's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who earn a grade point average of 4.0. Term 3 includes students at TROY's campuses in Dothan, Phenix City and Montgomery, Ala., along with students outside of Alabama and online.

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